



Wisconsin Ag News – Potatoes

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Wisconsin potato production in 2015 totaled 27.8 million hundredweight, up 6 percent, or 1.57 million hundredweight from 2014, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Potatoes 2015 Summary*. The state's potato growers planted 63,000 acres, down 2,000 acres from 2014. Harvested acres in 2015 were reported at 62,500, down 1,500 acres from the previous year. Average yield per acre was up from 410 hundredweight in 2014 to 445 hundredweight in 2015. Price per hundredweight, at \$9.70, was down from the previous year's \$10.40. Total value of production of the Wisconsin potato crop was down from \$272.9 million in 2014 to \$269.8 million in 2015.

Fall Potato Production - Wisconsin: 2006-2015



Fall Potato Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production – Selected States and United States: 2014-2015

State	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield per acre ¹		Production	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(cwt)	(cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
Colorado	60.2	57.7	59.8	57.4	388	393	23,196	22,575
Idaho	321.0	323.0	320.0	322.0	415	405	132,880	130,400
Michigan	43.0	46.0	42.5	45.0	370	390	15,725	17,550
Minnesota	42.0	41.0	41.0	40.5	400	400	16,400	16,200
Nebraska	17.0	15.5	16.9	15.3	470	450	7,943	6,885
North Dakota ..	79.0	82.0	77.0	80.0	310	345	23,870	27,600
Washington	165.0	170.0	165.0	170.0	615	590	101,475	100,300
Wisconsin	65.0	63.0	64.0	62.5	410	445	26,240	27,813
United States ..	938.4	941.5	931.1	934.8	434	433	403,703	404,701

¹ Derived

Fall Potato Production, Seed Use, Farm Disposition, Price, and Value – Selected States and United States: 2015 Crop

State	Production	Total used for seed	Farm disposition			Price per cwt	Value of	
			Where grown		Sold		Production ¹	Sales ¹
			Seed, feed, home	Shrink and loss				
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)
Colorado	22,575	1,415	930	2,030	19,615	8.40	189,630	164,857
Idaho	130,400	8,060	1,089	8,420	120,891	7.00	912,800	845,940
Michigan	17,550	1,152	335	540	16,675	10.40	182,520	173,140
Minnesota	16,200	840	104	826	15,270	10.00	162,000	153,362
Nebraska	6,885	479	251	529	6,105	9.85	67,817	60,085
North Dakota ..	27,600	1,782	456	2,234	24,910	9.25	255,300	230,376
Washington	100,300	4,323	268	6,220	93,812	7.70	772,310	720,145
Wisconsin	27,813	1,361	222	1,004	26,587	9.70	269,786	258,289
United States ..	404,701	22,679	4,614	25,467	374,620	8.26	3,346,715	3,094,832

¹ May not calculate due to rounding